

## Patent claims

1. Method for defining (Fig. 3a - Fig. 3h) parameters (12,65 /  
14,25 / 15,85 / 19,85) that are to be used for transmitting  
5 data between a first user (1, B) and at least one second  
user (2, B) whereby each user (1 ... N) has a number of  
votes (20; 30) of the votes to be cast for the selection of  
parameters (Fig. 3a - 3h),  
whereby a decision unit (Fig. 1: 1...N; Fig. 2 control  
10 centre) determines which parameters (ACS: 12,65, 14,25,  
15,85, 19,85) are to be used by the users for transmitting  
data, according to a predetermined voting method, in view of  
the number of votes (20; 30).
- 15 2. Method, particularly in accordance with one of the preceding  
claims,  
whereby a decision unit determines which protocol options  
are to be used by the users for the transmission of data, in  
accordance with a predetermined voting method, in view of  
20 the number of votes.
3. Method, particularly in accordance with one of the preceding  
claims,  
whereby a decision unit determines which functionalities are  
25 to be activated by which users, in accordance with a  
predetermined voting method, in view of the number of votes.
4. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
characterized in that the bit rate and/or data format  
30 and/or TFO codec mode parameters for the transmission of  
data are defined.

5. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
characterized in that the number of the maximum (MACS)  
parameters that can be used is determined as the minimum  
number of parameters (MACS/A, MACS/B) that can be used by  
5 the users.
6. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
characterized in that the number of votes (20; 30) of a  
user (1, 2) is determined depending on the number of  
10 parameters proposed by the user and/or weighting of the  
proposed parameters (2, 4, 6, 8 / 10, 9, 7, 3, 1).
7. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
characterized in that the user with highest number of votes  
15 (user 1=B) selects parameters as a first user.
8. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
characterized in that a selection is made from the  
parameters of a user in accordance with a predetermined  
20 sequence, particularly with the lowest or highest mode from  
the parameters proposed by this user being selected first.
9. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
characterized in that further voting for parameters in  
25 accordance with a predetermined method takes place,  
particularly in accordance with DeHondt or  
StLague/Schepers.
10. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
30 characterized in that the parameters are AMR codec modes  
for a mobile radio transmission using the TrFO or TFO  
method.
11. Method in accordance with one of the preceding claims,  
35 characterized in all users have a decision unit that uses

the same method for defining (Fig. 3a - 3h) the parameters to be used for the transmission of data between the users.

12. Method in accordance with one of claims 1 - 10,  
5 characterized in that a decision unit (Fig. 2, control centre) decides for all users (1-N).
13. Method in accordance with one of claims 1 - 10,  
10 characterized in that a plurality of decision units (Fig. 4) which are assigned to the users decide for one or more users (1-N).
14. Decision unit for performing the method in accordance with one of the preceding claims.  
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15. Transcoder (TC) or Transcoder Rate Adaptor Unit (TRAU) or Base Station Subsystem (BSS) or Radio Network Controller (RNC) or other decision units assigned to a mobile radio user in the mobile radio network for realizing the method  
20 in accordance with one of the preceding claims.
16. Mobile radio terminal with a decision unit for performing the method in accordance with one of the preceding claims.